

# Project Documentation

## 1. Introduction

Project Title:	Calculating Family Expenses Using ServiceNow
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## 2. Project Overview

### Purpose:

The purpose of this project is to develop a centralized system for tracking and managing family expenses using ServiceNow. The system helps families record daily expenses, analyze spending patterns, and improve budgeting decisions.

### Features:

- Daily expense entry
- Expense categorization
- Automatic expense calculation
- Monthly expense summary
- Dashboard and reporting
- Multi-user access for family members

## 3. System Architecture

### Application Platform:

The application is developed on the ServiceNow platform using App Engine Studio.

### Backend Logic:

Business rules and flows automate expense calculations and data updates.

### Database:

Custom tables store family expense and daily expense records, maintaining relationships for reporting and tracking.

## 4. Setup Instructions

### Prerequisites:

- ServiceNow Developer Account
- Active ServiceNow Instance
- Basic ServiceNow administration access

### Installation Steps:

- Create ServiceNow developer instance.
- Create update set for project.
- Create custom tables and forms.
- Configure relationships and business rules.
- Test data entry and reports.

## 5. Application Structure

Family Expenses Module:

Stores total daily expenses and summaries.

Daily Expenses Module:

Stores individual expense entries for each family member.

Forms and Reports:

Forms allow expense entry while reports display summaries.

## 6. Running the Application

- Log in to ServiceNow instance.
- Navigate to Family Expenditure module.
- Add daily expenses.
- View updated expense summaries and reports.

## 7. Module Documentation

Family Expenses Table:

Stores summarized expense data per date.

Daily Expenses Table:

Stores detailed expense entries including date, amount, and comments.

Business Rules:

Automatically update totals when daily expenses are added or updated.

## **8. User Roles and Access**

Roles are configured to allow family members to enter expenses while administrators manage reports and configurations.

## **9. User Interface**

The interface includes:

- Expense entry forms
- Expense summary lists
- Dashboards and reports

Screenshots of forms and reports can be included in the final submission.

## **10. Testing**

Testing involved entering sample expense data and verifying automatic calculation and report generation.

## **11. Screenshots or Demo**

Screenshots or demo videos showing expense entry and report generation can be added in submission folders.

## **12. Known Issues**

- Manual corrections may be required if incorrect expense entries are added.
- Multi-user conflict handling may require improvements.

## **13. Future Enhancements**

- Mobile-friendly expense entry
- Expense limit alerts
- Recurring expense automation
- Advanced financial analytics